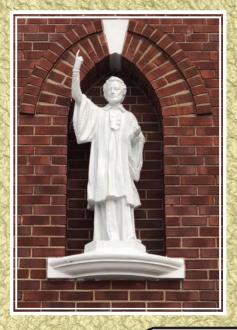
St. Francis & St. Mary Parish





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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:45 p.m.; Sunday 8:00 a.m. Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m. Holy Day—Check Bulletin

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Religious Education

For all children attending public school in grades 5K through 12. Sacramental Preparation: Students celebrate Reconciliation and First Communion in 2nd Grade and Confirmation in 12th Grade.

New Members

Please call the Parish Office or visit our website to establish membership.

<u>Baptism</u>

For Baptism preparation and to set a date for the Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation

- Sunday 7:15 a.m.
- · Or by appointment

Marriage

Please contact the Parish Office as soon as you decide to marry to insure availability of the church and to allow time for preparation. A minimum of 6 months before the date of the marriage is necessary.

Care For the Homebound or Sick

- We are happy to make arrangements for visits to the homebound or sick, but, we need to be aware of these folks.
 Please advise the Parish Office.
- Anointing of the Sick If you are anticipating a surgery or are in declining health, you may request the Anointing of the Sick or stay after Mass on the first full weekend of the month. If a member of your family is homebound and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

St. Francis & St. Mary Parish 9716 Cemetery Road Brussels, WI 54204

OUR FRONT ENTRANCE IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Masses

Saturday, August 2

Mass in Dyckesville 4:00 p.m. **Mass in Brussels** 5:45 p.m.

☆ Addy Call បិ Dan Kroll

Sunday, August 3

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**

🕆 Howard & Angela Renard

10:00 a.m. Mass in Dyckesville

Monday, August 4

No Masses

Tuesday, August 5

8:00 a.m. **NO Mass in Brussels**

Wednesday, August 6

8:00 a.m. **NO Mass in Brussels**

Thursday, August 7

8:30 a.m. NO Mass in Dyckesville

Friday, August 8

8:30 a.m. **NO Mass in Dyckesville**

Saturday, August 9

Mass in Dyckesville 4:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. Mass in Brussels

> 廿 Louise & Laura Dachelet George & Laura Vandertie 🕆 Frank & Laura DeKeyser

Sunday, August 10

8:00 a.m. **Mass in Brussels**

1 Joe Lopez

10:00 a.m. Mass in Dyckesville

Sanctuary Light-Week of August 3

Willard Marchant

Lou DeClark

Parish Office Hours -- Week of August 3

Monday, August 4 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 5 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Financial-July 21-27, 2025

Mass Collections: 540.00 Offertory Commitments: \$ 1,597.00

OUR SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

~If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. ~Colossians 3:1-2

Administrator: Fr. Antonio Rex Palaya

Liturgical Roles

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday, August 9–5:45 p.m.

Lector: Ann Kleist

Eucharist: Julie Engebose

Server: Braxton Ebel & Will Spude **Ushers:** Wayne Kleist & David Marsh

Sunday, August 10–8:00 a.m.

Commentator: Beth Hanson

Lectors: Matt Anderson & John Alberts

Eucharist: Kyle Veeser

Server: Madeline Alberts & Malaina Veeser Ushers: Dick Kinnard & Norbert LeGrave

Parish News

Second Collection

Our second collection this weekend is for the Missionary Cooperative Plan. We extend our thanks to Fr. Arul John Kennedy Kaspar for sharing the importance of his missionary work.

KERMIS 2025

Our 14th Annual Kermis will be Sunday, August 31. If you have a donation for the silent auction or the live auction and haven't let us know about it yet, please call the parish



office at 920-825-7555 or e-mail us at stfrancis@centurytel.net. If you have donations to drop off, you can do that any time. Envelopes can be slid under the office door if the office is closed and larger donations can be put in the basement on the first table as you enter. There is a basket inside the front entrance for bottles of wine if you would like to donate to the Wine Pull. AND ... have you thought about a good dessert to bring to the morning of Kermis? There will be many people willing to buy something to satisfy their sweet tooth. Volunteer sign-up sheets are at the front entrance across from the elevator. Please consider volunteering your time and talents. Kermis books and raffle tickets will be out soon. Continue to pray for good weather for our 14th Annual Kermis!

Religious Education News

*The Religious Education program will resume in fall. Watch for registration to come out in August. *We are still looking for a 3rd grade teacher to join our team of dedicated catechists. All materials and support will be provided. If interested, contact Penny stfrancis.stmaryre@gmail.com

•Parish Bookkeeper: Ann Kleist

Shepherd's Thoughts

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good.

Today, we will contemplate on our life's purpose and its pursuit of meaning beyond earthly achievements. As the first reading asks us, "What profit comes to a man from all his toil?" (Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23). Yes, it is true that our lives here on earth are one full of sacrifices. Our goals and responsibilities pile one after the other as we advance in maturity. And after finishing our daily tasks and responsibilities, our bodies will feel exhausted as well and even our minds may not be at rest. "Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" But what do we truly gain from having the world without a perfect union with God?

Meanwhile, our responsorial Psalm circles back to the eternal protection that we have from our Father. Time and again, we are asked to seek for His grace that all our lives may prosper in His name. As it is written, "And may the gracious care of the Lord our God be ours; prosper the work of our hands for us!" (Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17).

In our present time, it is a challenge for us to stay grounded in the truths of our faith. We are presented with all the allures of this world as if it is the central theme of our existence. Our second reading points us back to our identity as children of God. It reminds us that our primordial desire is to be one with His will. It calls for us to maintain our focus on what benefits our souls. As it is written, "Think of what is above, not of what is on earth" (Col 3:1-5, 9-11).

Who among us here can tell God today that he or she is ready to lose every single possession now? It is hard, I know, my brothers and sisters, thus, our Gospel today reminds us that our ultimate treasure is rooted in God. "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions". (Lk 12:13-21).

My friends, our readings may be very ideal and requires us to make a radical change about how we treat our possessions. But we can always start small by simply being in solidarity with those who have less in life and sharing more so others may have too. In this way, we are already giving up our earthly treasures in a way that honors our Creator. Let us be prudent in the use of our daily resources in respect to the abundance that God has given us.

2025 is the Jubilee Year of Hope and we are halfway through it. May I invite all of you once again to cling to the mercy and love of God more than we clutch on our gold. Our lives are meaningful because of the grace that God pours into it despite our repeated follies. Let us recognize that our Father's kingdom awaits for us to receive our true treasure — an eternity in peace and joy with Him.

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya-Administrator

Formed

There is always great finds on Formed for all ages. This week view some new items and some old items. Try one of the following: *The Way Series, Are Work & Prayer Connected?*, or *The Catholic Parent Series*.

Dynamic Catholic

Find inspiration from fellow Catholic worshipers, like Matthew Kelly and others, as we journey through our life. This week reflect with: Why Do People Do Stupid Things?- Understanding Your Choices or Gospel Reflection:Set Boundaries Like Jesus.

BIBLE STUDY

Are you looking to understand what the Bible says? Or perhaps get more out of it? You are invited to join our Bible Study group that meets here in the church basement every other Monday. Our next session will be Monday, August 11. The studies last one hour from 6-7 PM. and are led by Joanne Guilette, with resources from Dr Scott Hahn, Jeff Cavins and Ed Siri. We read together one paragraph at a time and study what it means, connecting the words with the Old Testament and the Gospels. Hope to see you there!

Area News

Traveling Rosary for Vocations

Thursday, August 14; 1:00 – 2:30 PM at St. Michael's Parish Whitelaw; 110 West Menasha Avenue 54247. The agenda includes song, rosary, speakers from Holy Family Convent in Manitowoc, and closing reception. For more info call 920-323-3243 or visit www.gbdccw.org.

Belgian Heritage Center Kermis

Come start the Kermis season with the Belgian Heritage Center. It will take place Sunday August 17 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the grounds. There will be Belgian Food, Music, Raffles and Auction. It sure to be a great time.

St. Peter & St. Hubert 29th Annual Kermiss

The Kermiss will take place on Sunday August 24th on the St. Peter's church grounds in Lincoln. It will start with a Polka Mass at 10:15. Activities will continue with many kids activities, auctions & raffles, music, and of course food and beverages. Come have some fun!

"The environment changes, the culture changes, people change, but truth does not change; the supernatural realities of faith, hope, and love do not change; and God does not change."



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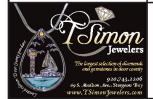
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Mass Schedules

Maplewood Sunday 9:00AM Lincoln/Rosiere.....Saturday 4PM Rosiere & Sunday 10:15AM Lincoln Dyckesville: Saturday 4PM & Sunday 10:00AM LuxemburgSaturday 4PM & Sunday 7:30AM & 10:30AM Casco Saturday 7:30PM & Sunday 9AM

Please continue to pray for . . . Homebound Parishioners: Sandy DuBois. Those in Assisted Living and Nursing Homes: Marge Columb, Al Moore & Shirley Simon. Others in Need of Healing: Janet Kaye, Laurie Malcore, Donald Spude, McCoy Vandenhouten and Joe Kipp. All who are Suffering and The Poor Souls in Purgatory.